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REMARKS

Sir:

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required to our deposit account No. 12-1155, including all required fees under: 37 C.F.R. §1.16; 37 C.F.R. §1.17; 37 C.F.R. §1.18; 37 C.F.R. §1.136.

The application is directed to a bakery product which includes flour and from 0.5 to 15 wt% on flour of sterol and/or stanol fatty acid ester and from 0.1 to 1 wt% of emulsifier on flour, wherein the emulsifier is selected from a recited group and a combination thereof. It is important to note that the amount of the sterol and the amount of the emulsifier are given on flour.

Although Yuan et al., US Patent No. 6, 190,720 mentions baked goods, the Office points to no mention by Yuan et al. of levels of flour in any of its baked goods. The Office appears to rely on the inherency of the level of flour with respect to sterol and emulsifier in the Yuan patent. However, even if it were reasonable to say that the recited levels of sterol and emulsifier on flour could be present in Yuan et al., the fact that a certain result or characteristic <u>may</u> be present in the prior art is not sufficient to establish the inherency of that result or characteristic. MPEP §2112 IV. To establish inherency, the intrinsic evidence must make clear that the missing descriptive matter is

necessarily present in the thing described in the reference. Inherency may not be

established by probabilities or possibilities.

The Office points to Yuan et al. as teaching that sterol esters comprise up to about 90%

of their ingredient and that their ingredient comprises up to 20% of a food. Taking as an

example the upper ends of these ranges, then, sterol would comprise about 18% of the

food. Applicants' claim 1 recites 0.5 to 15 wt% on flour of sterol and/or sterol fatty acid

ester. If sterol is 18% of the product it hardly seems likely that it could be 15% of the

flour. It is apparent from this example that it is not inevitable that the parameters of the

present claims would be satisfied by Yuan et al.

The Office argues that since the claims do not specify any other ingredients of the food,

the amount based in the food composition is equivalent to the amount based in flour.

It is submitted that to find inherency the Office needs to find the recited invention in the

one reference and that if the claim recites wt% in flour the Office cannot ignore other

ingredients which it is taught may be present in the food of the reference. Again,

inherency is not established by probabilities or possibilities.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the application, as amended, be

allowed.

Respectfully submitted,

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